



All hands to the deck – January upgrade briefed and under way

Khandallah Bowling Club Newsletter – February 2020

From the President



What a few weeks of high activity at the Club with hardly a bowl delivered. Since early January the Ballet Studio and ante rooms have been

repainted. The refreshing colour scheme was generously prepared by interior design consultant Noeline Pannett who is Maggie Jenks' sister. The preparation, painting and cleaning were carried out by many club members under the skilled and dedicated leadership of Terry Jenks. We also took the opportunity to declutter, with a trailer load of items including old carpet, taken to the landfill. There is still another load to follow. The Ballet room now looks a real picture with new vinyl and no chairs or tables in sight. The Wellington Ballet Company (their new name), our anchor tenants, are delighted with the result and have agreed to another 3-year contract.



The refurbished interior

The Board has other projects to address such as the bar lounge flooring, kitchen flooring, concertina door and chair replacement in the maintenance programme totalling some \$40,000. Such items can only be addressed once we have enough funds which might be obtained through charity funding applications. David Jones is ably handling this process.

There is, of course the matter of the green replacement, due in about 10 years. If we invested all our surpluses for the next 10 years we would just about cover the cost of a new

green. Or, do we set aside a lesser amount, carry out the programmed maintenance, and let the Club of 2030 make deal with it?

There have been some bowls played in January and Brent Slater and Malcolm Hughes ably represented the Club at a tournament at the Hutt Club as did Craig Walker and David Jones in a gala at Miramar.

The Pennants competition has only a couple of games to play to end a challenging season.

Our thanks to Brent Slater for organising this as well as Inter Club and the Club competitions which are still be played.

Finally, I have been appointed to umpire in the National Men's 4's competition starting in the Hutt Valley on the 10th February. I encourage you to visit games(3 per day starting at 8:45am) which are being played at Silverstream, Stokes Valley, Naenae, Massey Avenue and Petone Central.

Brian Poole

CHRISTMAS PARTY



The Club Christmas Party, held on Sunday 15 December was a roaring success. Thanks to those members who organised it and prepared the room.

Entertainment was be provided by the Virtuoso String, who enjoyed themselves so much that they played much longer than they were engaged for.



Virtuoso Strings



Presidential Address

The evening concluded with Christmas music, organised by Hilary Young, with Barbara Campbell as the accompanist.



Time to sing



Time to dine – Automat style
Photos – Robyn Greening

BAR PRICES



There have been some minor adjustments in prices needed to simplify procedures. Nothing significant and still a good bargain.

STEPPING DOWN

John Bonallack, who always seems to find some leftover timber and paint and then adds a vast amount of his voluntary labour, has constructed steps to ease the way for the less-abled amongst us to access the green. Perter Wilson is shown here trying out the new steps



LONG-TERM USERS

Since 1992 the Rebus Club of Wellington [formerly Probus] has been meeting at the Bowling Cub. With the chairs and tables removed from the main room, there was some concern that the 'seniors' might have difficulty with the extra labour required to set up and clear the room. The first meeting for the year was held on 31 January and the members coped well albeit with the aid of a trolley to move the chairs. New, lightweight stackable chairs are on the Club's wish list.



Rebus members assembled for the first meeting of 2020. They admired the new look.



FROM THE WIDER WORLD OF BOWLS

Our green has been allocated to Bowls Wellington on 22nd February for Open Triples.



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